



**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS**  
***OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT***  
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**NOTIFICATION TO ABUTTERS UNDER THE SOMERVILLE CITY ORDINANCE,  
ARTICLE VI. - TREE PRESERVATION ORDINANCE**

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING**

**Removal of Public Shade Trees  
City of Somerville**

Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 87, the City of Somerville will hold a **virtual public shade tree hearing on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.** using GotoWebinar software to consider the removal of the following public shade trees:

1. **14 Avon Street** – 15-inch diameter Green Ash
2. **20 Avon Street** – 11-inch diameter Green Ash
3. **156 Highland Ave on Central Street** – 8-inch diameter Green Ash
4. **156 Highland Ave on Central Street** – 10-inch diameter Green Ash
5. **156 Highland Ave on Gibbens Street** – 12-inch diameter Green Ash
6. **22 Oxford Street** – 9-inch diameter Green Ash
7. **82 Oxford Street** – 13-inch diameter Green Ash
8. **98 Oxford Street** – 11-inch diameter Green Ash
9. **170 Summer Street on Harvard Street** – 10-inch diameter Green Ash
10. **172 Summer Street** – 12-inch diameter White Ash

The trees proposed for removal are all Ash trees in poor to fair condition. Ash trees in the City are under threat from the invasive pest Emerald Ash Borer. Due to the presence of this pest, the City of Somerville Urban Forest Management Plan recommends removing all Ash trees in poor condition, and Ash trees under 13 inches diameter in fair condition. The area will be replanted as part of the Spring Hill Sewer Separation project.

The trees identified above have been posted for public inspection. In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 87, any objections to the removal of any of these trees must be submitted in writing to the Tree Warden prior to or at this public hearing. Documents may be sent via email to: [trees@somervilleMA.gov](mailto:trees@somervilleMA.gov), or mailed to: 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143.

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this Public Shade Tree Hearing will be conducted via remote participation. A recording of this hearing will be available upon request to [trees@somervillema.gov](mailto:trees@somervillema.gov).

**TO USE A COMPUTER**

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